

December 1, 2020

Ald. Scott Spiker (414) 286-8537

MEDIA ADVISORY

Garden District tree lighting set for TODAY

<u>TODAY</u> - Tuesday, December 1st at 5:15 p.m. - the Garden District Neighborhood Association will be continuing its Winter Wonderland tree lighting tradition (but this year without the public attendees) at 6th and Norwich in the Farmers' Market area in a safe, socially-distanced manner.

Alderman Scott Spiker will be joined at the 4th annual tree lighting by **Milwaukee County Supervisor Jason Haas**, as well as representatives from the Garden District Neighborhood Association and the Gateway to Milwaukee. **Media coverage of the 5:15 p.m. brief countdown and tree lighting is invited, and masks will be required.**

Although there will be no public events this year, the Winter Wonderland tree and lighting displays will be available through early January for families to enjoy and to help them get in the holiday mood. The light display is set up and maintained entirely by volunteers and is sponsored by the Garden District Neighborhood Association and the Gateway to Milwaukee. The grounds will also include a lighted 140-foot long open-air tunnel, more than 40,000 lights and over 100 festive holiday displays.

"The 25-foot-tall tree of lights is a true one-of-a-kind that takes over an hour to run through its cascade of light patterns. I thank the Gateway to Milwaukee business association for its generous donation of this centerpiece of the Winter Wonderland." Alderman Spiker said. "During this pandemic, we can all use some extra fun and family time to get us in the holiday spirit, and enjoying this amazing tree and the wonderful lights and other displays is a great way to do just that."

What: Winter Wonderland tree lighting.

Where: S. 6th and Norwich in the Farmers' Market area.

When: Lighting starts at 5:15 p.m. TODAY - Tuesday, December 1st

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